EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 76-2

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona may be subjected to emergencies and disasters of all kinds and various magnitudes; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona in the early nineteen fifties did enter into compact through the fourteen articles of the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact with other states of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the State's increasing vulnerability to disaster is featured by an increasing concentration of its growing population in urban, suburban, and rural areas and in particularly in such susceptible areas as river and lake shores, river flood plains, seismic zones and industrial complexes; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona has a continuing responsibility and obligation for strengthening its disaster response through interstate coordination and aid; and

WHEREAS, legislation will be introduced to the Arizona State Legislature to enact by statute the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact and amendments thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Raul H. Castro, Governor of Arizona by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State and pursuant to ARS Section 26-309 do order that:

- 1. The original fourteen articles of the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact be recognized by the State of Arizona as an instrument of interstate arrangement for the protection of life and property with other states.
- 2. A new Article XV, which is attached to this order, be added to the Interstate Civil Defense Disaster Compact by amendment making the aforementioned compact clearly usable in disaster or other interstate emergency aid of whatever cause or nature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this 1st day of June in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-six and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundredth.

OVERNOR

ATTEST.

Secretary of Spate

An amendment to the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact, by adding Article XV to the provisions of the Compact.

ARTICLE XV

- (a) This compact shall be in effect only as among those states which have enacted it into law or in which the Governors have adopted it pursuant to constitutional or statutory authority sufficient to give it the force of law as part of this compact. Nothing contained in this compact or in any supplementary agreement made in implementation thereof shall be construed to abridge, impair or supersede any other provision of this compact or any obligation undertaken by a State pursuant thereto, except that if its terms so provide, a supplementary agreement in implementation of this Article may modify, expand or add to any such obligation as among the parties to the supplementary agreement.
- (b) In addition to the occurrences, circumstances and subject matters to which preceding articles of this compact make it applicable, this compact and the authorization, entitlements and procedures thereof shall apply to:
 - (1) Searches for and rescue of persons who are lost, marooned, or otherwise in danger.
 - (2) Action useful in coping with disasters arising from any cause or designed to increase capability to cope with any such disasters.
 - (3) Incidents, or the immmence thereof, which endanger the health or safety of the public and which require the use of special equipment, trained personnel or personnel in large numbers are locally available in order to reduce, counteract or remove the danger.
 - (4) The giving and receiving of aid by subdivisions of party States.
 - (5) Exercises, drills or other training or practive activities designed to aid personnel to prepare for, cope with or prevent any disaster or other emergency to which this compact applies.
- (c) Except as expressly limited by this compact or a supplementary agreement in force pursuant thereto, any aid authorized by this compact or such supplementary agreement may be furnished by any agency of a party State, a subdivision of such State, or by a joint agency of any two or more party States or of their subdivisions. Any joint agency providing such aid shall be entitled to reimbursement therefore to the same extent and in the same manner as a State. The personnel of such a joint agency, when rendering aid pursuant to this compact shall have the same rights, authority and immunity as personnel of the party States.
- (d) Nothing in this Article shall be construed to exclude from the coverage of Articles I-XIV of this compact any matter which, in the absence of this Article, would reasonably be construed to be covered thereby.
- (e) Nothing in subsection (a) shall be construed to limit previous or future entry into the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact of this State with other States.
- (f) Duly authenticated copies of this act shall, upon its approval, be transmitted by the legislative counsel to the governor of each state, to the President of the Senate of the United States, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to the Federal Civil Defense Administration, or any successor agency, to the Secretary of State of the United States and to the Council of State Governments.

